

THE *Kansas* ECONOMIC DATABOOK

*A summary of regional economic indicators
for the state of Kansas*



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SUMMARY OF CURRENT KANSAS ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

The Kansas unemployment rate ended the first quarter of 2021 at 3.7%, just 0.5 percentage points higher than pre-pandemic levels, though total employment remains 56,000 below February 2020 levels. Manufacturing and leisure and hospitality employment continue to account for the largest proportion of these job losses. Transportation and warehousing and construction employment are exhibiting growth beyond pre-pandemic levels. Work earnings contributions to personal income grew in the fourth quarter of 2020 while transfer payments contributions declined as government payments diminished through the end of the year. Housing permits are increasing, with multifamily permits exhibiting 125% growth from last year. Most housing permit activity is taking place in Johnson County.

This databook provides current economic indicators to help monitor trends and allow comparison of past information. These indicators include employment; employment by industry; county and state unemployment; personal income; home prices; housing indicators; manufacturing activity; oil, gas and coal production; and exports. These indicators can be found on the following pages.



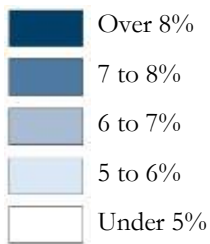
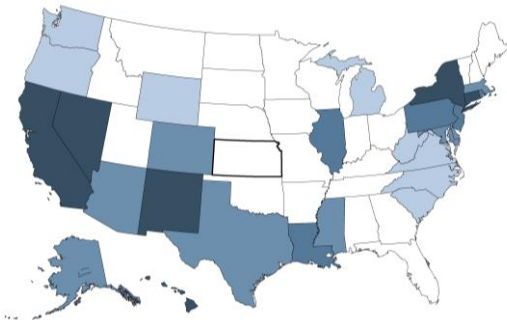
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Unemployment Rates

Seasonally Adjusted

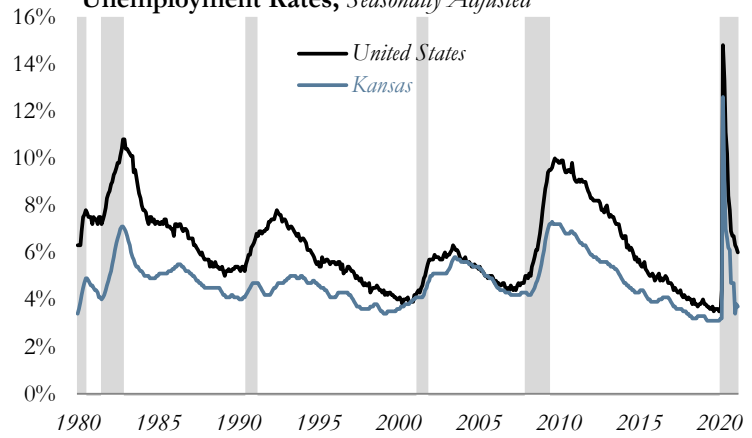
March 2021 Unemployment Rates

Seasonally Adjusted



March 2021		
	United States	Kansas
Unemployment Rate	6.0%	3.7%
Unemployment Rate, <i>Last Year</i>	4.4%	3.2%

Unemployment Rates, *Seasonally Adjusted*



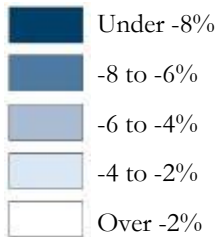
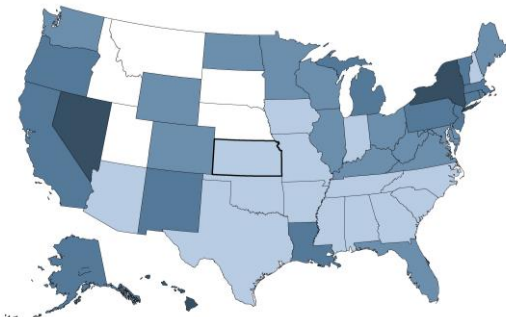
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Payroll Employment

Seasonally Adjusted

March 2021 Payroll Employment

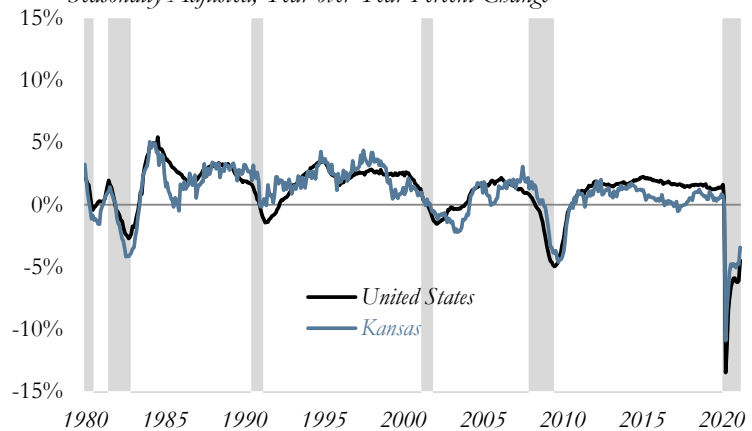
Seasonally Adjusted, Year-over-Year Percent Change



March 2021		
	United States	Kansas
Jobs (<i>Thousands</i>)	144,120.0	1,373.0
<i>Change from Last Year</i>	-4.5%	-3.4%

Payroll Employment

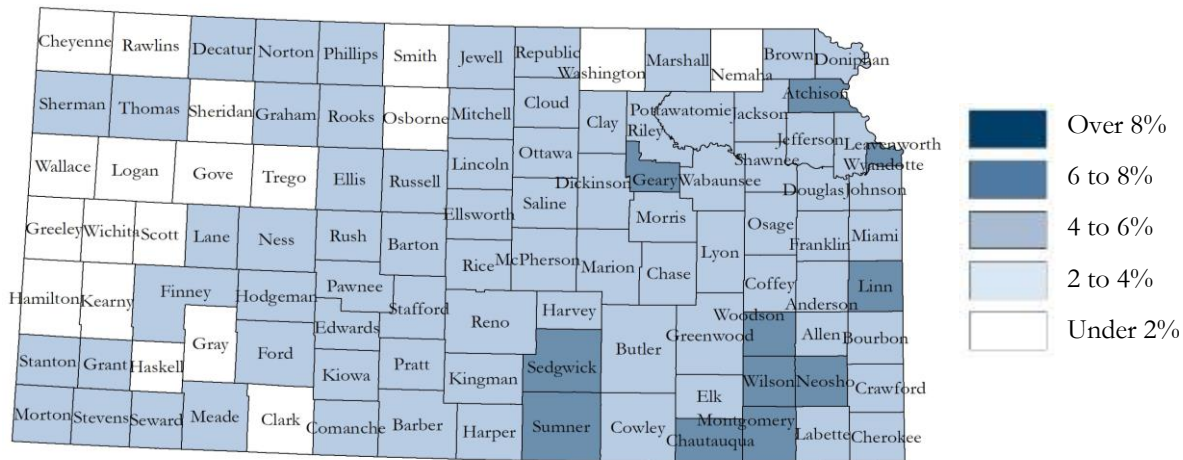
Seasonally Adjusted, Year-over-Year Percent Change



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Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics/Haver Analytics

March 2021 Unemployment Rates & Civilian Labor Force
Seasonally Adjusted



	<i>Percent Unemployed</i>	<i>Labor Force (Thousands)</i>		<i>Percent Unemployed</i>	<i>Labor Force (Thousands)</i>	
United States	6.0%	160,558.0	23	Grant	3.0	
Kansas	3.7	1,510.6	24	Allen	6.4	
1	Sedgwick	5.3	256.5	25	Leavenworth	37.7
2	Sumner	5.1	11.0	26	Kingman	3.4
3	Wyandotte	5.0	80.3	27	Seward	9.9
4	Neosho	5.0	6.4	28	Greenwood	3.1
5	Chautauqua	4.9	1.5	29	Riley	33.7
6	Atchison	4.6	6.8	30	Shawnee	92.5
7	Geary	4.6	11.5	31	Harvey	17.1
8	Montgomery	4.5	14.6	32	Cherokee	10.1
9	Wilson	4.4	3.9	33	Coffey	3.8
10	Linn	4.3	4.4	34	Cloud	4.0
11	Woodson	4.2	1.5	35	Saline	29.5
12	Cowley	3.9	16.7	36	Ottawa	3.0
13	Graham	3.9	1.1	37	Lyon	16.7
14	Butler	3.9	32.7	38	Republic	2.3
15	Labette	3.8	9.6	39	Osage	8.1
16	Bourbon	3.8	6.8	40	Barton	13.5
17	Reno	3.7	29.5	41	Rooks	2.5
18	Harper	3.7	2.8	42	Sherman	2.9
19	Crawford	3.6	19.2	43	Miami	18.2
20	Elk	3.6	1.2	44	Johnson	351.1
21	Franklin	3.6	14.4	45	Jefferson	10.3
22	Douglas	3.6	64.2	46	Ellsworth	2.8

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics/Haver Analytics

March 2021 Unemployment Rates & Civilian Labor Force

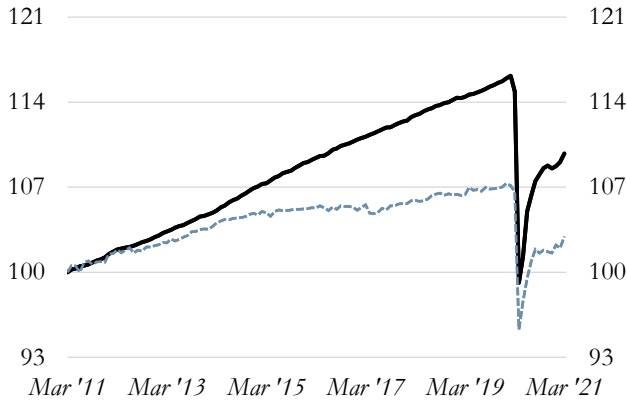
		<i>Percent Unemployed</i>	<i>Labor Force (Thousands)</i>			<i>Percent Unemployed</i>	<i>Labor Force (Thousands)</i>
47	Clay	2.9	3.8	77	Chase	2.3	1.4
48	Dickinson	2.9	8.8	78	Norton	2.3	2.6
49	Morton	2.9	1.1	79	Mitchell	2.3	3.5
50	Doniphan	2.8	4.2	80	Ellis	2.3	17.0
51	Pottawatomie	2.8	11.9	81	Phillips	2.2	2.7
52	Decatur	2.8	1.2	82	Thomas	2.2	4.3
53	Pawnee	2.8	2.8	83	Stanton	2.1	1.1
54	Rice	2.8	5.1	84	Kiowa	2.1	1.2
55	Marion	2.8	5.8	85	Marshall	2.0	5.5
56	Russell	2.7	3.3	86	Hodgeman	2.0	1.0
57	Rush	2.7	1.5	87	Wichita	2.0	1.2
58	Brown	2.7	5.3	88	Osborne	2.0	2.0
59	Stafford	2.6	2.0	89	Gray	2.0	3.3
60	Comanche	2.6	0.9	90	Gove	2.0	1.5
61	Ford	2.6	17.2	91	Nemaha	2.0	5.6
62	Jackson	2.6	7.3	92	Clark	2.0	1.2
63	Jewell	2.5	1.3	93	Haskell	1.9	2.3
64	Edwards	2.5	1.5	94	Smith	1.9	2.0
65	Pratt	2.5	5.0	95	Kearny	1.9	2.1
66	Meade	2.5	2.2	96	Rawlins	1.9	1.6
67	Morris	2.5	3.1	97	Wallace	1.8	0.8
68	Barber	2.5	2.3	98	Sheridan	1.8	1.5
69	Lincoln	2.5	1.8	99	Logan	1.8	1.6
70	Anderson	2.5	4.4	100	Scott	1.7	2.8
71	Wabaunsee	2.5	3.7	101	Cheyenne	1.7	1.4
72	Ness	2.4	1.3	102	Hamilton	1.7	1.7
73	Stevens	2.4	2.8	103	Trego	1.7	1.5
74	McPherson	2.4	17.5	104	Washington	1.5	3.1
75	Lane	2.4	0.8	105	Greeley	1.5	0.8
76	Finney	2.4	21.0				

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics/Haver Analytics

Payroll Employment

Seasonally Adjusted

Payroll Employment
Ten-Year Index of Growth



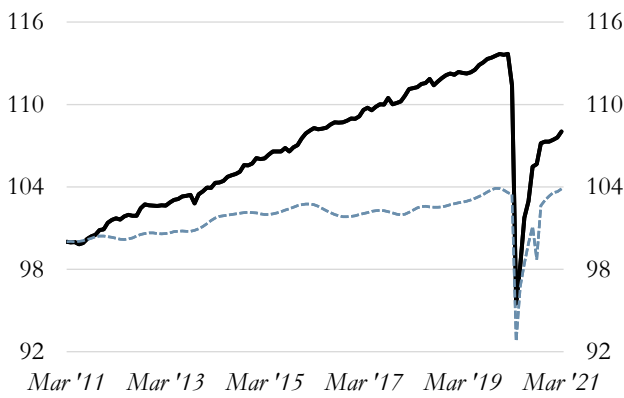
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March 2021		
	United States	Kansas
Jobs (Thousands)	144,120.0	1,373.0
Change from Last Year (Thousands)	(6,720.0)	-48.9
Share of U.S. Employment		1.0%

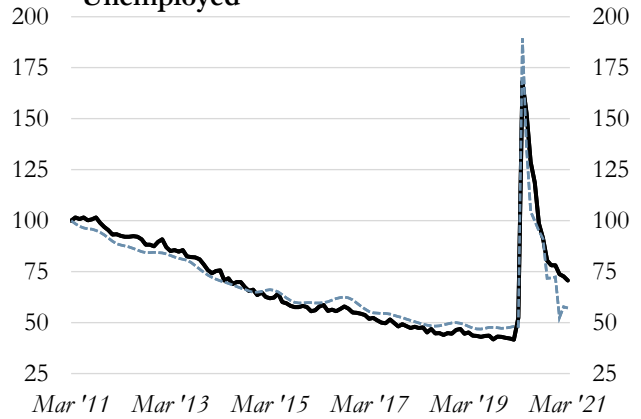
Labor Force Dynamics

Ten-Year Index of Growth, Seasonally Adjusted

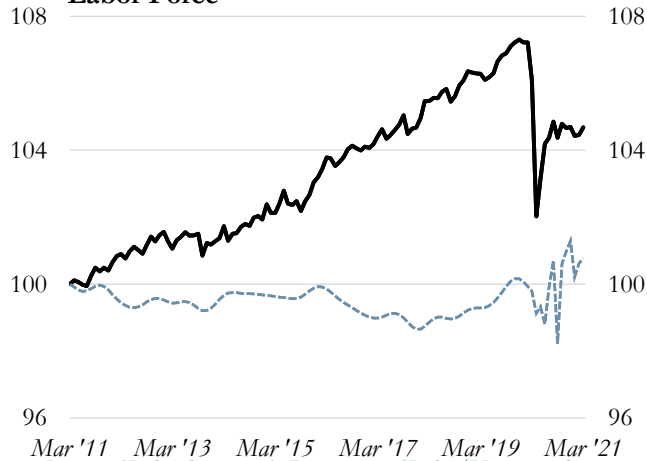
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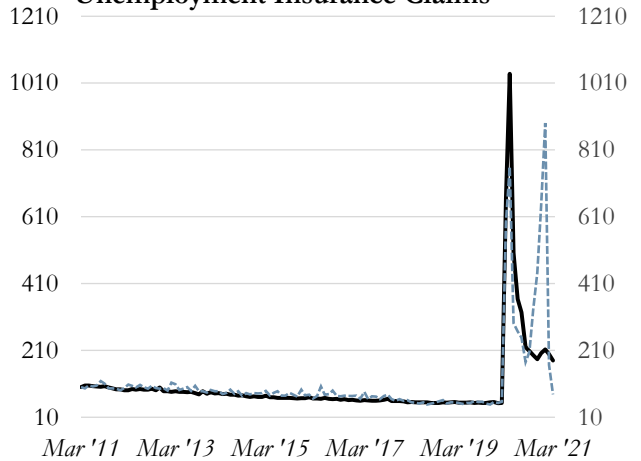
Unemployed



Labor Force



Unemployment Insurance Claims

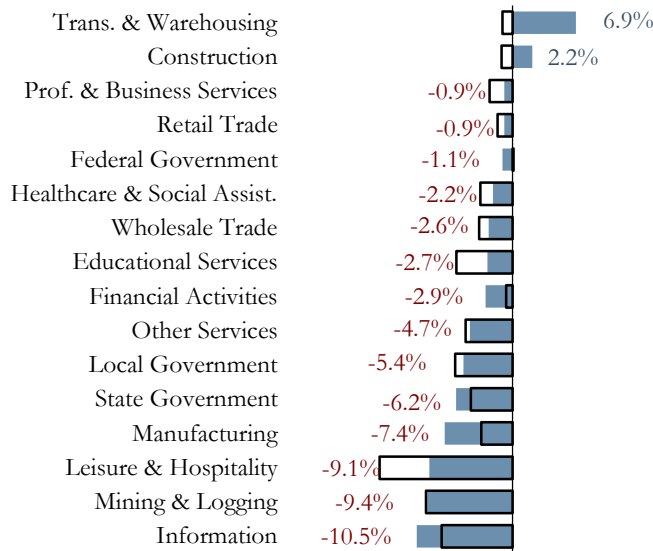


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Payroll Employment by Industry

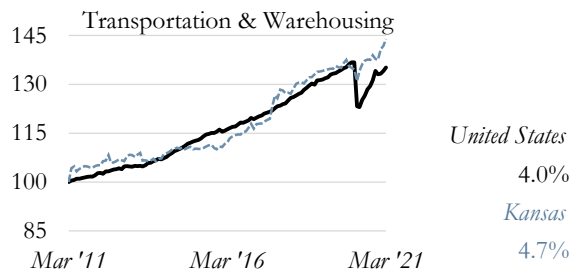
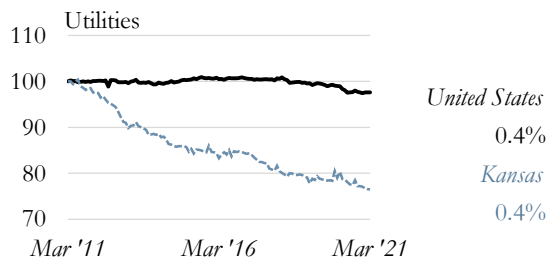
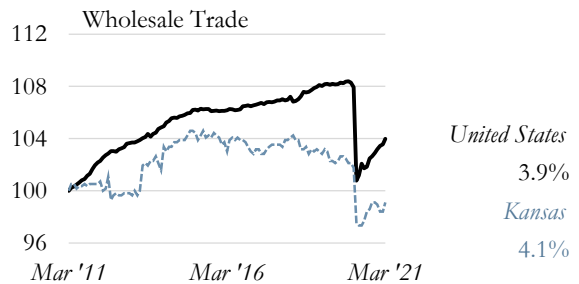
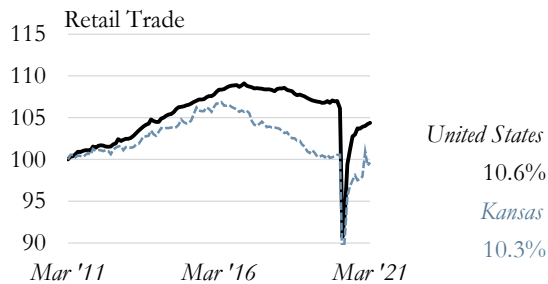
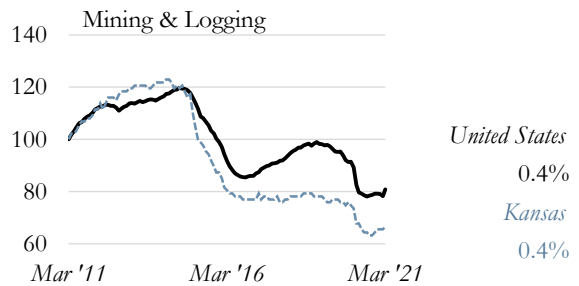
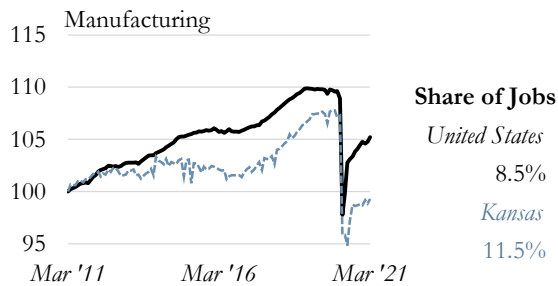
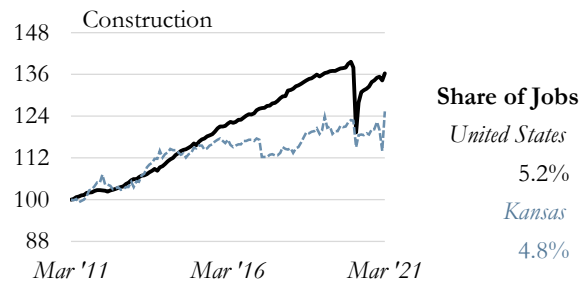
Seasonally Adjusted

March 2021 *Percent Change Year-over-Year*



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Ten-Year Index of Growth

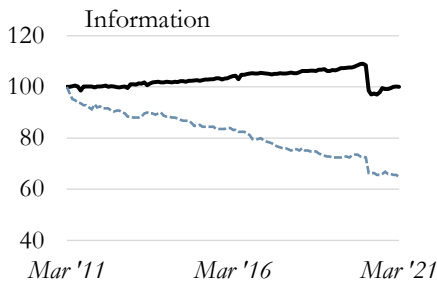


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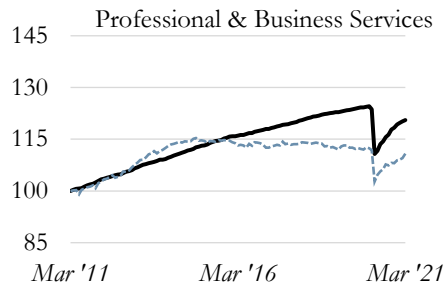
Payroll Employment by Industry

Ten-Year Index of Growth, Seasonally Adjusted

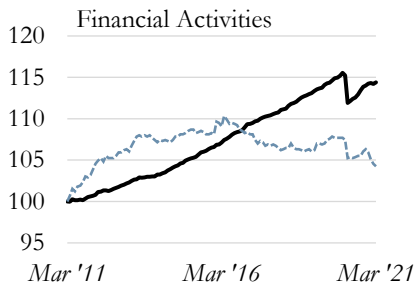
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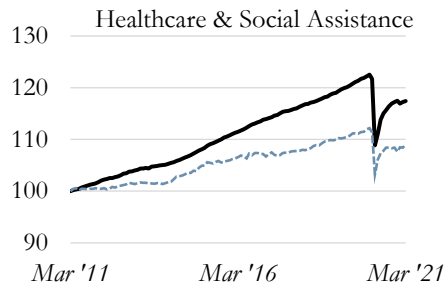
Share of Jobs
 United States
 1.9%
 Kansas
 1.2%



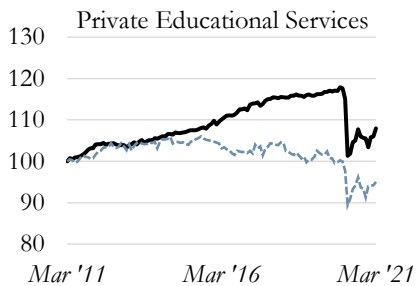
Share of Jobs
 United States
 14.4%
 Kansas
 12.6%



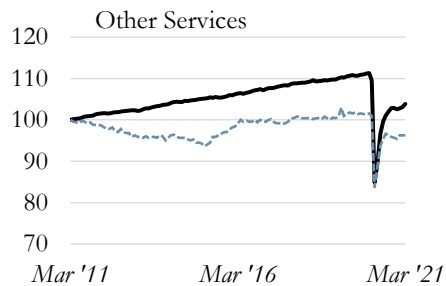
United States
 6.1%
 Kansas
 5.5%



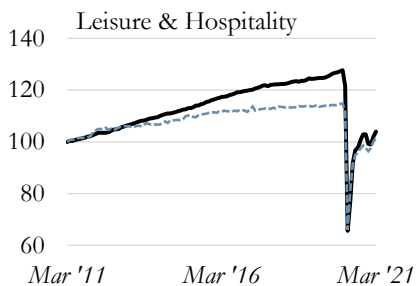
United States
 13.8%
 Kansas
 13.2%



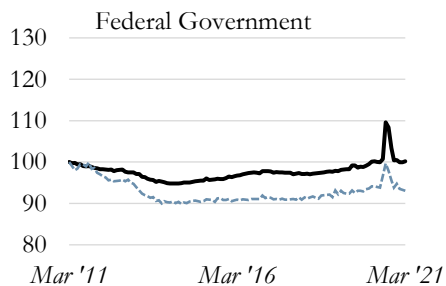
United States
 2.4%
 Kansas
 1.3%



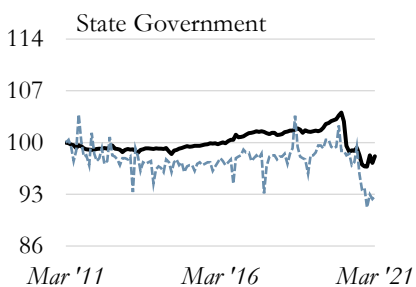
United States
 3.8%
 Kansas
 3.6%



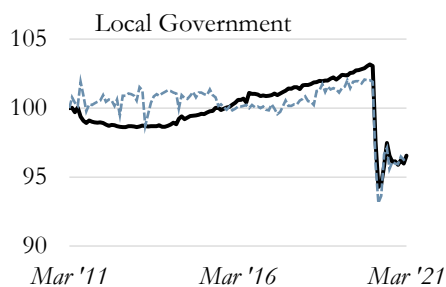
United States
 9.6%
 Kansas
 8.4%



United States
 2.0%
 Kansas
 1.9%



United States
 3.5%
 Kansas
 3.5%

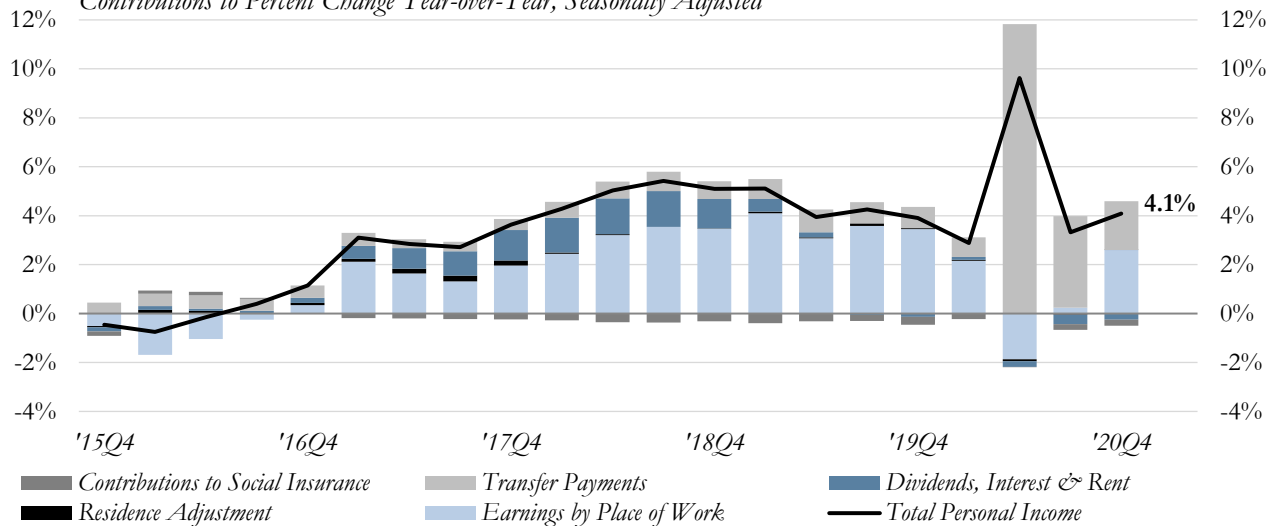


United States
 9.5%
 Kansas
 12.6%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics/Haver Analytics

Kansas Nominal Personal Income Growth

Contributions to Percent Change Year-over-Year, Seasonally Adjusted

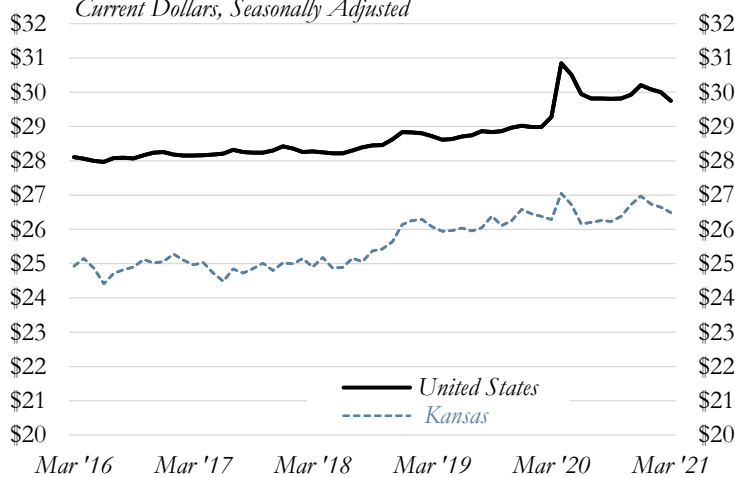


2020Q4	Percent Change Year-over-Year		Share of Personal Income	
	United States	Kansas	United States	Kansas
Total Personal Income	4.0%	4.1%		
Earnings by Place of Work	1.5%	3.6%	69.0%	71.3%
Social Insurance Contributions*	-2.1%	-3.2%	-7.5%	-7.7%
Residence Adjustment		0.2%		1.0%
Dividends, Interest & Rent	-1.8%	-1.3%	19.0%	18.2%
Transfer Payments	20.2%	12.5%	19.4%	17.2%

*Subtracted from personal income.

Real Average Hourly Wage

Current Dollars, Seasonally Adjusted

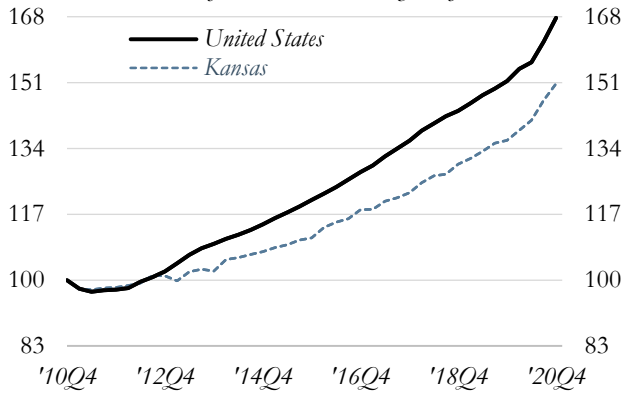


March 2021		
Average Hourly Wage	United States	Kansas
	\$29.75	\$26.49
<i>Real Change from</i>		
Last Month	-0.8%	-0.6%
Last Year	1.6%	0.8%

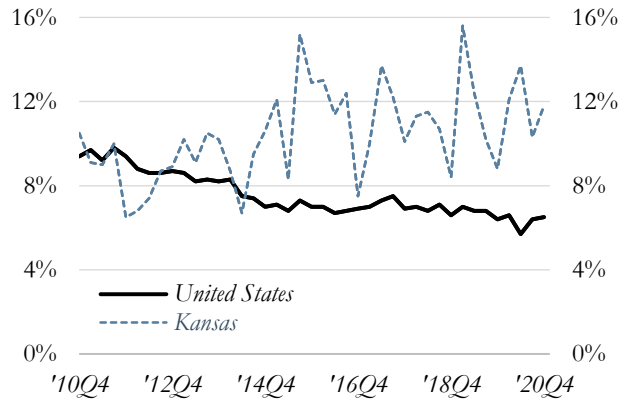
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis & Bureau of Labor Statistics/Haver Analytics

FHFA Purchase-Only Home Price Index

Ten-Year Index of Growth, Seasonally Adjusted

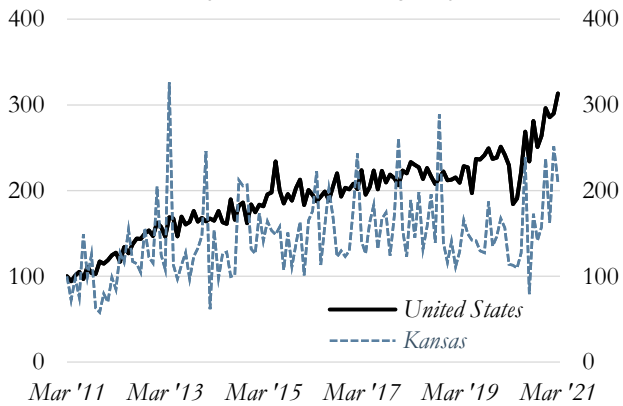


Rental Vacancy Rates



Housing Permits

Ten-Year Index of Growth, Seasonally Adjusted

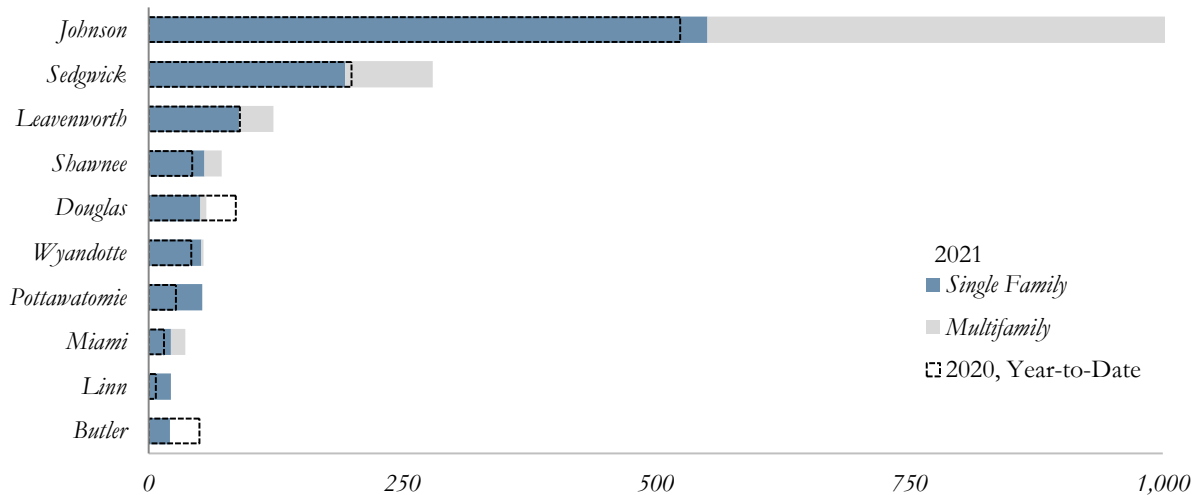


Summary Statistics		
	United States	Kansas
Prices (2020Q4)*	10.8%	10.8%
Vacancy Rates (2020Q4)	6.5%	11.8%
Permits (Year-to-Date)*		
Single Family	25.3%	27.6%
Multifamily	20.4%	125.0%

*Percent change year-over-year.

Top 10 Kansas Counties for Permit Activity

Year-to-Date through March

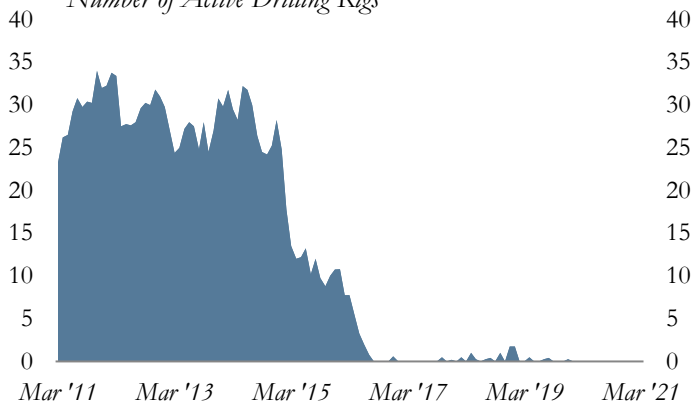


Source: Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) & Census Bureau/Haver Analytics

Kansas Energy Activity

Oil & Gas Rig Counts

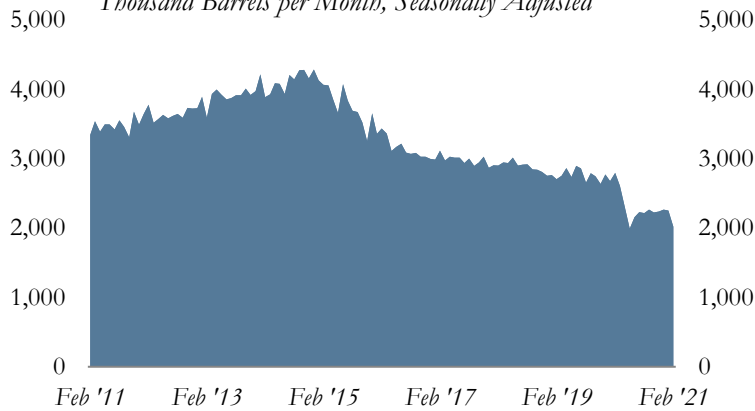
Number of Active Drilling Rigs



March 2021		
	<i>United States</i>	<i>Kansas</i>
Rig Count	408	0
<i>Change from</i>		
Last Month	10	0
Last Year	-364	0
Share of U.S. Activity		0.0%

Crude Oil Production

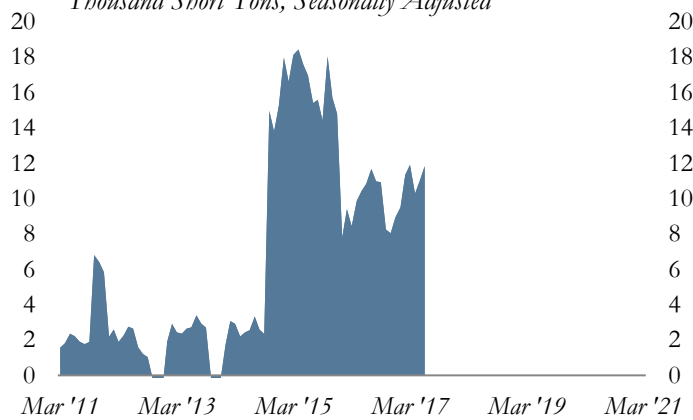
Thousand Barrels per Month, Seasonally Adjusted



February 2021		
	<i>United States</i>	<i>Kansas</i>
Production	300,350	2,018
<i>Change from</i>		
Last Month	-9.8%	-10.5%
Last Year	-25.2%	-27.9%
Share of U.S. Activity		0.7%

Coal Production

Thousand Short Tons, Seasonally Adjusted

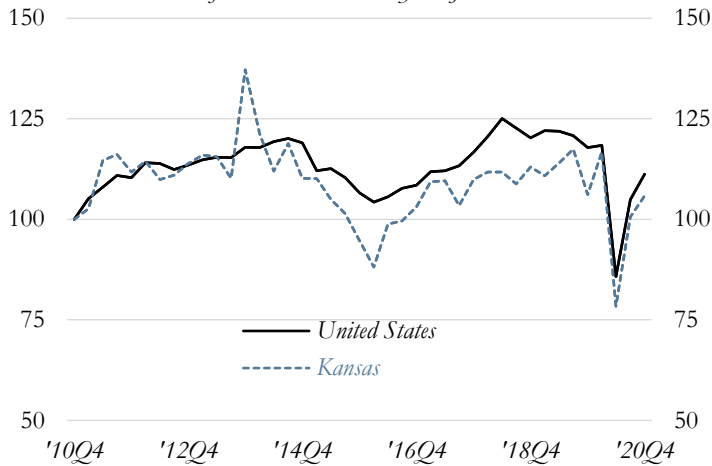


March 2021		
	<i>United States</i>	<i>Kansas</i>
Production	49,809	0
<i>Change from</i>		
Last Month	18.1%	N/A
Last Year	8.2%	N/A
Share of U.S. Activity		0.0%

Source: Baker Hughes & Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration/Haver Analytics

Global Exports

Ten-Year Index of Growth, Seasonally Adjusted

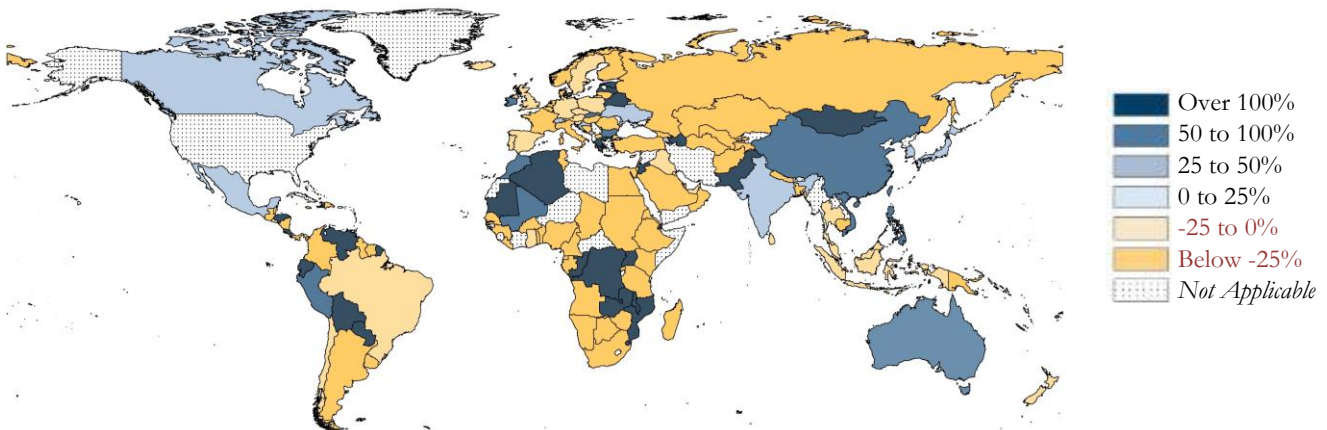


2020Q4		
	United States	Kansas
Exports (Millions)	\$378,617.6	\$2,750.9
<i>Change from</i>		
Last Quarter	6.0%	5.1%
Last Year (year-to-date)	-12.9%	-10.4%
Share of U.S. Activity		0.7%

2020		
	United States	Kansas
Exports as a Percent of GDP	7.7%	6.6%

Kansas Exports Year-to-Date through 2020Q4

Percent Change Year-over-Year



Top Markets	Share
1 Mexico	20.0%
2 Canada	15.7
3 China*	11.1
4 Japan	8.8
5 South Korea	4.1
6 Germany	3.8
7 United Kingdom	3.6
8 Brazil	2.8
9 Singapore	2.7
10 Australia	2.2

Top Exports	Share
1 Food	23.1%
2 Transportation Equip.	18.5
3 Agriculture & Livestock	16.8
4 Chemicals & Rare Earth Metals	8.9
5 Machinery (Except Electrical)	8.6
6 Computers & Electronics	7.8
7 Special Class Provisions	3.0
8 Plastics & Rubber Products	2.9
9 Fabricated Metal Products	2.6
10 Electronic Equip. & Appliances	2.5

*China includes Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macao.

Source: Census Bureau, WISERTrade & Bureau of Economic Analysis/Haver Analytics

Pages 2 - 4: County unemployment rates typically lag state data releases by one month. Gray bars show recessionary periods as designated by the National Bureau of Economic Research. The "official" and most commonly reported unemployment rate is calculated as the number of unemployed workers divided by the total civilian labor force. These data are reported from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Population Survey, or commonly called the "Household" survey.

Page 2 and 5: Nonfarm employment data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Employment Survey are commonly called "Payroll" employment data. Estimates from this survey are revised throughout the year and a major revision or "benchmark" of the data occurs in March of each year. "Payroll" and "Household" surveys are released monthly, providing the most current estimates of employment published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Because methodologies differ between surveys, employment estimates also differ. For more information, visit:

http://www.bls.gov/web/empst/ces_cps_trends.pdf

Initial claims show monthly applications for initial claims for state unemployment insurance benefits.

Pages 6 and 7: Payroll employment by industry is shown for each of the major two-digit North American Industrial Classification System industries.

Page 8: Personal income provides a measure of all income received by residents of a given geographic area. Data shown are in nominal terms (not adjusted for inflation). Transfer payments include social benefits such as unemployment insurance, Social Security, and Medicaid. Contributions to social insurance are subtracted from personal income. These contributions include taxes paid by businesses and employees that support social insurance programs such as unemployment insurance, Social Security, and Medicaid. The residence adjustment adds income received outside of a recipient's state of residence and makes a corresponding subtraction from the area where this income was earned or received. Real average hourly wages are calculated as total earnings divided by total employment for a given geographic area. Data are adjusted for inflation using the consumer price index for all urban areas (CPI-U) and are indexed to the most current month of data.

Page 9: Home price indices estimate regional growth in home values based on repeat sales data for detached single family residential properties. Monthly single and multifamily housing permits data are not revised, and therefore, may not sum to published year-end totals.

Page 10: The active rig count is the number of rigs actively exploring for or developing oil or natural gas. Rig counts provide an indicator of new drilling activity and potential for expanded crude oil or natural gas production. Coal production is shown as production during a given month.

Page 11: Exports measure the total physical movement of a given product from the United States to a foreign country.

Data Revisions

Most data are revised periodically to correct for errors and incorporate additional information as it becomes available. Data shown in this report are subject to change.

Seasonal Adjustments

Most data are seasonally adjusted to remove variance caused by seasonal fluctuations in economic activity. Data in this report show the seasonal adjustments of data publishers where available. In other cases, Census X-12 adjustments were applied.

Regional Economic Analysis

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